

ABSTRACT

An apparatus adapted to transmit an active substance in the vapour phase to an atmosphere, comprising an active substance incorporated in a sublimable carrier substance (12) and a 5 heating element (4) that interfaces with only part of the total sublimable carrier substance, carrier substance and heating element being so arranged that the sublimable carrier substance subliming at the heating element/sublimable carrier substance interface is replaced by further sublimable carrier substance. The apparatus is not prone to spillage, as are current volatile liquid-based apparatus. It also allows the easy observation of the approaching end of life of the 10 carrier substance/active substance and its need for replacement, so that continuity of transmission is assured..